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UM OFFERS FELLOWSHIPS FOR TAFT SEMINAR FOR TEACHERS

MISSOULA --

Fellowships are available for 30 elementary, high school and community college educators to attend the Taft Seminar for Teachers, set for June 29-July 10 at The University of Montana.

The application deadline is April 10.

"American Indians, American Politics" will focus on the relationship between the American political system and the movement for Native American self-government and economic self-determination, says seminar director and political science Professor Jim Lopach.

The seminar will be one of 12 sponsored nationwide by the New York-based Robert A. Taft Institute of Government.

"Normally, our programs are devoted to state government for state teachers," says institute President Maryann Feeney. But this year, the institute is putting increased emphasis on training teachers in minority issues.

UM's seminar, one of three designed to increase political awareness among minority youth, is the first to address Native American issues.

"We're indeed very excited about the fact UM will be cosponsoring this new venture," Feeney says.

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The fellowships for Montana teachers, administrators and librarians will cover seminar tuition, housing, meals and texts.

For application forms and more information, contact the Department of Political Science, The University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812; 243-5202.

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